

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: )  
KOICHIRO NAKAZAWA, ET AL. )  
Application No.: 10/581,092 )  
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the final Office Action dated August 17, 2009, Applicants respectfully submit the following amendments and remarks.